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Unitary shipments -----

Pumps up but February down 6%

ARLINGTON, Va. -- U.S. shipments of unitary air conditioners and heat pumps fell 6 percent compared to February 1987, ending the series of monthly records at 19 and slipping 1988 momentum 2.6 percent behind last year's record pace, according to ARI statistics.

Heat pump shipments, however, set a new February record of 72,083, 2 percent ahead of the record set in February 1987. U.S. shipments of unitary air conditioners and heat pumps during February:

- totalled 292,848,
- down 6% from February 1987,
- year-to-date total 583,051,
- down 2.6% from January-February 1987.

Heat pump shipments included in the February figures:

- totalled 72,083,
- up 2% from February 1987,
- year-to-date total 141,058,
- down 3.8% from January-February 1987.

February factory stocks:

- up 56,477 units from January,
- up 64,355 units from February 1987.

February distributor shipments:

- down 17% from February 1987,
- year-to-date shipments up 8%.

February distributor inventories:

- up 81,093 units from January,
- up 60,625 units from February 1987.

February U.S. dollar bookings of reciprocating liquid chillers:

- up 18% from February 1987,
- year-to-date up 41%.

February U.S. dollar bookings of large tonnage liquid chillers:
(data incomplete)

(See reverse side for Condensed Summary by Size.)

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Unitary Heating and Cooling Section's Condensed Summary by Size of United States Manufacturers' Shipments

Date FEBRUARY, 1988

UNITED STATES

	SIZE BTUH (000)		NUMBER OF UNITS			
			CONDENSER-TYPE			
			AIR OR EVAP. COOLED A	WATER COOLED B	U.S. TOTAL C	% CHG. FROM 1987
CONDENSED SUMMARY BY SIZE	Under 16.5		2663		2663	26.9-
	16.5-21.9		27822		27822	11.3-
	22-26.9		68671		68671	4.1+
	27-32.9		54976		54976	4.4-
	33-38.9		60727	28	60755	14.2-
	39-43.9		19763		19763	10.1-
	44-53.9		25034		25034	5.6-
	54-64.9		21448	76	21524	6.6-
	65-96.9		4713	71	4784	11.8+
	97-134.9		3481	41	3522	18.1+
	135-184.9		1631	37	1668	8.0+
	185-249.9		570	17	587	9.0-
	250-319.9		281	14	295	8.7-
	320-379.9		233	14	247	2.4-
	380-539.9		175	22	197	7.7+
	540-639.9		88	13	101	28.9-
	640 and over		200	39	239	16.0+
	TOTAL		292476	372	292848	6.0-